THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b) Indian Oil Corporation has prepared a Corporate Perspective Plan—IOC 1995 and a Corporate Long Range Plan 1985-90. These Plans have been made to meet the inscreasing requirement of petroleum products in the country and the consequent need to augment and improve the efficiency of refining, marketing and distribution arrangements. Several diversification ideas have been listed for further examination, such as coal Liquification and gasification, international trading in oil and real estate business in the context of creating energy-efficient residential complexes.

Commission on LPC Cylinders

1519. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to increase commission to the distributors; etc. on LPG cylinders; and

(b) whether Government will keep in mind the hardship it is likely to cause to consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) No, Sir (*for the present*).

(b) Does not arise.

Free medical treatment to P & T employees

1520. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether P & T employees are entitled for the medical treatment;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that employees of telecommunications Department under DET and STT Katihar are put to harassment and loss of amount as their bills of treatment are either rejected, delayed or limited to a fixed amount;

(d) if so, what are the rules in this regard;

(e) whether out of medical bill amounting to Rs. 184.80 an employee was paid only Rs. 125/-; and

(f) if so, whether Government propose to ensure that full amount towards bills is paid and no delay takes place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) Like all other Central Government employees P & T employees are entitled to medical treatment as admissible under the Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules except in areas where C.G.H.S. is operating. However, the employees have to first incur expenditure and then claim re-imbursement. Inadmissible items are not reimbursed. At stations where P&T Dispensaries have been opened the P&T employees and members of the family can get treatment as a welfare measure without any contribution.

(c) to (f) The information is being collected.

Request from Maharashtra Government for setting up industries in 'No Industry District'

1521. MISS. SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Maharashtra Government have requested the

Central Government for setting up of indutsries in each 'no industry district' in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the action being taken by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c)Gadchiroli is the only district in Maharashtra which has been identified as 'No Industry District'. The industrialisation of specific districts is primarily the responsibility of State Government concerned. Central Government, however, supplements their efforts by providing various concessions|incentives for industries in identified back-ward areas|No Industry Districts. No proposals are pending for setting up any Large or Medium Scale industries in Gadchiroli.

Viability of M/s. Hindustan Pilkington Glass Works

1522. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether IRCI, now IRBI has made enquiries about viability of the Hindustan Pilkington Glass Works, Asansol; and

(b) if so, what was the findings and steps being taken by the Government to restart the factory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) A Committee consisting of representatives of the State Government to West Bengal, Industrial Reconstruction Corporation of India and Grindlays Bank was constituted to consider the offers of various private parties who had shown interests in taking over the unit. The Committee came to the conclusion that the offer of Window Glass Limited was more Suitable than the other proposals. Future disposition of the Company has to be decided by Banks, Financial Institutions and the State Government.

Petroleum product agencies

1523. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of petroleum product agencies of various Government owned Oil companies have been granted in the Union Territory of Pondicherry;

(b) how many out of them have been allotted to scheduled castes people and at what place; and

(c) whether Government are reviewing that the reservation in allotment of these agencies is not misused?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b) The number of LPG distributorships|Retail outlets (Petrol| Diesel) and SKO|LDO agencies allotted in the Union Territory of Pondicherry and the number out of these dealerships allotted to persons belonging to SC category is as follows:—

L P G	SC	Location	Retail Outlet	SC	Location	SKO/ LDO	SC
4	1	K raikal	14	4	Karaikal	2	..
					Kanaikoil		
					Pondicherry		
					Pondicherry		